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525-047-9

CHAPTER II

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Subclass:

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US) (ENTRY INTO U.S. NATIONAL PHASE UNDER CHAPTER II)

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/SE2003/001161

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE July 3, 2003

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED Julyu5, 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

FILTER FOR TRAFFIC SEPARATION AND METHOD FOR IMPLEMENTING THE SAME (AS AMENDED)

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- NOTE: To avoid abandonment of the application, the applicant shall furnish to the USPTO, not later than the expiration of 30 months from the priority date: (1) a copy of the international application, unless it has been previously communicated by the International Bureau or unless it was originally filed in the USPTO; and (2) the basic national fee (see 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(a)). The 30-month time limit may not be extended. 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(a) and (b).
- WARNING: Where the items are those which can be submitted to complete the entry of the international application into the national phase are subsequent to 30 months from the priority date the application is still considered to be in the international state and if mailing procedures are utilized to obtain a date the express mail procedure of 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 must be used (since international application papers are not covered by an ordinary certificate of mailing—See 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
- NOTE: Documents and fees must be clearly identified as a submission to enter the national state under 35 U.S.C. § 371 otherwise the submission will be considered as being made under 35 U.S.C. § 111. 37 C.F.R. § 1.494(g).
- I. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Elected Office (EO/US) the following items under 35 U.S.C. § 371:
 - a.

 This express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)).
 - b. A The U.S. National Fee (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(1)) and other fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.492) as indicated below:

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**WARNING:	"To avoid abandonment of the application the applicant shall furnish to the United States Patent and Trademark Office not later than the expiration of 30 months from the priority date: • • • (2) the basic national fee (see § 1.492(a)). The 30-month time limit may not be extended." 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(b).
	If the translation of the international application and/or the oath or declaration have not been submitted by the applicant within thirty (30) months from the priority date, such requirements may be met within a time period set by the Office. 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(b)(2). The payment of the surcharge set forth in § 1.492(e) is required as a condition for accepting the oath or declaration later than thirty (30) months after the priority date. The payment of the processing fee set forth in § 1.492(f) is required for acceptance of an English translation later than thirty (30) months after the priority date. Failure to comply with these requirements will result in abandonment of the application. The provisions of § 1.136 apply to the period which is set. Notice of Jan. 3, 1993, 1147 O.G. 29 to 40.
☐ Asser	tion of Small Entity Status
☐ Applic	cant hereby asserts status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
decla	F.R. § 1.27(c) deals with the assertion of small entity status, whether by a written specific ration thereof or by payment as a small entity of the basic filing fee or the fee for the entry into ational phase as states:
org to l and ma	Assertion of small entity status. Any party (person, small business concern or nonprofit panization) should make a determination, pursuant to paragraph (f) of this section, of entitlement be accorded small entity status based on the definitions set forth in paragraph (a) of this section, if must, in order to establish small entity status for the purpose of paying small entity fees, actually ke an assertion of entitlement to small entity status, in the manner set forth in paragraphs (c)(1) (c)(3) of this section, in the application or patent in which such small entity fees are to be paid.
(i to	1) Assertion by writing. Small entity status may be established by a written assertion of entitlement o small entity status. A written assertion must:
	(i) Be clearly identifiable;
	(ii) Be signed (see paragraph (c)(2) of this section); and
	(iii) Convey the concept of entitlement to small entity status, such as by stating that applicant is a small entity, or that small entity status is entitled to be asserted for the application or patent. While no specific words or wording are required to assert small entity status, the intent to assert small entity status must be clearly indicated in order to comply with the assertion requirement.
(2	P) Parties who can sign and file the written assertion. The written assertion can be signed by:
	(i) One of the parties identified in §§ 1.33(b) (e.g., an attorney or agent registered with the Office), §§ 3.73(b) of this chapter notwithstanding, who can also file the written assertion;
	(ii) At least one of the individuals identified as an inventor (even though a §§ 1.63 executed oath or declaration has not been submitted), notwithstanding §§ 1.33(b)(4), who can also file the written assertion pursuant to the exception under §§ 1.33(b) of this part; or
	(iii) An assignee of an undivided part interest, notwithstanding §§ 1.33(b)(3) and 3.73(b) of this chapter, but the partial assignee cannot file the assertion without resort to a party identified under §§ 1.33(b) of this part.

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- (3) Assertion by payment of the small entity basic filing or basic national fee. The payment, by any party, of the exact amount of one of the small entity basic filing fees set forth in §§ 1.16(a), (f), (g), (h), or (k), or one of the small entity basic national fees set forth in §§ 1.492(a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), or (a)(5), will be treated as a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status even if the type of basic filing or basic national fee is inadvertently selected in error.
 - (f) If the Office accords small entity status based on payment of a small entity basic filing or basic national fee under paragraph (c)(3) of this section that is not applicable to that application, any balance of the small entity fee that is applicable to that application will be due along with the appropriate surcharge set forth in §§ 1.16(e), or §§ 1.16(f).
 - (ii) The payment of any small entity fee other than those set forth in paragraph (c)(3) of this section (whether in the exact fee amount or not) will not be treated as a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and will not be sufficient to establish small entity status in an application or a patent."
- 3. A copy of the International application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)):
- NOTE: Section 1.495(b) requires that the basic national fee and a copy of the international application must be filed with the Office before the expiration of 30 months from the priority date to avoid abandonment. "The International Bureau normally provides the copy of the international application to the Office in accordance with PCT Article 20. At the same time, the International Bureau notifies applicant of the communication to the Office. In accordance with PCT Rule 47.1, that notice shall be accepted by all designated offices as conclusive evidence that the communication has duly taken place. Thus, if the applicant desires to enter the national stage, the applicant normally need only check to be sure the notice from the International Bureau has been received and then pay the basic national fee by 30 months from the priority date." Notice of Jan. 7, 1993, 1147 O.G. 29 to 40, at 35-36. See item 14c below.

	a.		is transmitted herewith.
	b.		is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office.
	c.	X	has been transmitted
		i.	∆ by the International Bureau.
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		ii.	☐ by applicant on (Date)
X			lation of the International application into the English language .C. § 371(c)(2)):
	a.		is transmitted herewith.
	b.	X	is not required as the application was filed in English.
	c.		was previously transmitted by applicant on (Date)

4.

will follow.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(c): "If applicant complies with paragraph (b) of this section before expiration of thirty months from the priority date but omits . . . a translation of the international application, as filed, into the English language, if it was originally filed in another language (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) . . . applicant will be so notified and given a period of time within which to file the translation . . . in order to prevent abandonment of the application. The payment of the processing fee set forth in § 1.492(f) is required for acceptance of an English translation later than the expiration of thirty months after the priority date A 'Sequence Listing' need not be translated if the 'Sequence Listing' complies with PCT Rule 12.1(d) and the description complies with PCT Rule 5.2(b)."

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5.	X]				s to the claims of the International application under PCT Article 19 371(c)(3)):				
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				ii,		by applicant on (Date)				
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				ii.		the time limit for the submission of amendments has not yet expired. The amendments or a statement that amendments have not been made will be transmitted before the expiration of the time limit under PCT Rule 46.1.				
6. 🛚			A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (38 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3)):							
			a.		is tr	ansmitted herewith.				
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9.	M	Α	tran	slation of the annexes to the international preliminary examination repor
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		b.	X	is not required as the annexes are in the English language.
10.	X		oati U.S	or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(4)) complying with C. § 115
		a.		was previously submitted by applicant on (Date)
		b.		is submitted herewith, and such oath or declaration
			i.	is attached to the application.
			ii.	identifies the application and any amendments under PCT Article 19 that were transmitted as stated in points 3(b) or 3(c) and 5(b); and states that they were reviewed by the inventor as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.70.
		c.	\mathbf{X}	will follow.
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NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.495(c): "If applicant complies with paragraph (b) of this section before expiration of thirty months from the priority date but omits . . . the oath or declaration of the inventor (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4) and § 1.497), if a declaration of inventorship in compliance with § 1.497 has not been previously submitted in the international application under PCT Rule 4.17(iv) within the time limits provided for in PCT Rule 26ter.1, applicant will be so notified and given a period of time within which to file the . . . oath or declaration in order to prevent abandonment of the application. . . . The payment of the surcharge set forth in § 1.492(e) is required for acceptance of the oath or declaration of the inventor later than the expiration of thirty months after the priority date."

II. Other document(s) or information included:

11. An International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210) or Declaration under PCT Article 17(2)(a):

WARNING: M.P.E.P., § 1893.03(g), 8th Edition: Information Disclosure Statement in a National Stage Application

"When an international application is filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), prior art documents may be cited by the examiner in the international search report and/or the international preliminary examination report. When a national stage application is filed under 35 U.S.C. 371, or a national application is filed under 35 U.S.C. 111 claiming benefit of the filing date of the international application, it is often desirable to have the examiner consider the documents cited in the international application when examining the national application.

"As a result of an agreement among the European Patent Office (EPO), Japanese Patent Office (JPO), and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), copies of documents cited in the international search report issued by any one of these International Searching Authority Offices generally are being sent to the other Offices when designated in the international application. Accordingly, in many national stage applications where the international search was conducted by the EPO, JPO, or USPTO, copies of the documents cited in the international search report are made available to the examiner in the national stage application.

"When all the requirements for a national stage application have been completed, applicant is notified (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) of the acceptance of the application under 35 U.S.C. 371, including an itemized list of the items received. The itemized list includes an indication of whether a copy of the international search report and copies of the references cited therein are present in the national stage file. The examiner will consider the documents cited in the international search report, without any further action by applicant under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, when both the international search report and copies of the documents are indicated to be present in the national stage file. The examiner will note the consideration in the first Office action. There is no requirement that the examiners list the documents on a PTO-892 form. See form paragraphs 6.53, 6.54, and 6.55 (reproduced in MPEP § 609). Otherwise, applicant must follow the procedure set forth in 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 in order to ensure that the examiner considers the documents cited in the international search report.

"This practice applies only to documents cited in the international search report relative to a national stage application filed under 35 U.S.C. 371. It does not apply to documents cited in an international preliminary examination report that are not cited in the search report. It does not apply to applications filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) claiming the benefit of an international application filing date."

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		C.		is not required, as the application was searched by the United State International Searching Authority.
		d.		will be transmitted promptly upon request.
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12.	X	An	Info	rmation Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98:
NOTE	<u>:</u> : 3	7 C.F	.R. §	1.97
				formation disclosure statement shall be considered by the Office if filed by the applica- ne of the following time periods:
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				[A] Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B).
				☑ Copies of citations listed.
		b.		will be transmitted within THREE MONTHS of the date of submissio of requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371(c).
		C.		was previously submitted by applicant on (Date
13.		An	assi	gnment document is transmitted herewith for recording.
		A so	epar	ate 🔲 "COVER SHEET FOR ASSIGNMENT (DOCUMENT) ACCOMPANEW PATENT APPLICATION" or 🔲 FORM PTO 1595 is also attached

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14. 🖾	Ad	ditio	nal documents:			
	a.		Copy of request (PCT/RO/101)			
	b.		International Publication No. WO 2004/006513 A1			
		i.	☑ Specification, claims and drawing			
		ii.	☐ Front page only			
	c.	X	Preliminary amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121)			
	d.		Other			
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15. 🛚	The	e abo	ove checked items are being transmitted			
	a.	X	before 30 months from any claimed priority date.			
	b.		after 30 months.			
16. 🗆	Certain requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 were previously submitted b applicant on, namely:					
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AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

WARNING: Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependant claims, to avoid unexpected high charges if extra claims are authorized.

NOTE: "A written request may be submitted in an application that is an authorization to treat any concurrent or future reply, requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time. An authorization to charge all required fees, fees under § 1.17, or all required extension of time fees will be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission. Submission of the fee set forth in § 1.17(a) will also be treated as a constructive petition for an extension of time in any concurrent reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission." 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

NOTE: "Amounts of twenty-five dollars or less will not be returned unless specifically requested within a reasonable time, nor will the payer be notified of such amounts; amounts over twenty-five dollars may be returned by check or, if requested, by credit to a deposit account." 37 C.F.R. § 1.26(a).

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- Please charge, in the manner authorized above, the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application:
 - 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(a)(1), (2), (3), and (4) (filing fees)

WARNING: Because failure to pay the national fee within 30 months without extension (37 C.F.R. § 1.495(b)(2)) results in abandonment of the application, it would be best to always check the above box.

37 C.F.R. § 1.492(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

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NOTE:	Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation
	must only be paid or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period
	set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(d)), it might be best
	not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possible when dealing with amendments
	after final action.

37 C.F.R. § 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance. pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.311(b))

NOTE: Section 1.311(b) provides that an authorization to charge the issue fee (§ 1.18) to a deposit account may be filed in an individual application only after the mailing of the notice of allowance. Accordingly, general authorizations to pay fees and specific authorizations to pay the issue fee that are filed prior to the mailing of a notice of allowance will generally not be treated as requesting payment of the issue fee and will not be given effect to act as a reply to the notice of allowance. Applicant, when paying the issue fee, should submit a new authorization to charge fees, such as by completing box 6b on the current PTOL-85B form. Where no reply to the notice of allowance is received, the application will stand abandoned notwithstanding the presence of general authorizations to pay fees or a specific authorization to pay the issue fee that were submitted prior to mailing of the notice of allowance. Where an attempt is made to pay the issue fee but an incorrect amount is submitted, § 1.311(b)(1), or where the Office's issue fee transmittal form (currently PTOL-85(B)) is completed by applicant and submitted, § 1.311(b)(2), in reply to a notice of allowance, an exception will be made. Such submissions will operate as a request to charge the issue fee to any deposit account identified in a previously filed (i.e., submitted prior to the mailing of the notice of allowance) authorization to charge fees, and will be allowed to act as payment of the correct issue fee. § 1.311(b). See also the change to § 1.26(b). Notice of September 8, 2000, Fed. Reg. 54603-54683, at 54646 and 54647.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying . . . issue fee." From the wording of 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(b); (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

> 37 C.F.R. § 1.492(e) and (f) (surcharge fees for filing the declaration and/or filing an English translation of an International Application later than 30 months after the priority date).

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